

TO:

Chief Elected Officials

WIB Chairs
WIB Directors
Program Directors

FROM:

Ron Stiver

Commissioner

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DATE:

January 9, 2006

SUBJ:

DWD Commissioner's Directive # 2005-02, Rev. 1

Program Year 2004 (PY'04) System and WIA Performance Levels and Incentive

Awards Policy

RE:

Workforce Investment Act, Wagner-Peyser Act and Unemployment Insurance

Purpose:

To define performance expectations for customers served in the former Madison-Grant Workforce Service Area and clarify incentive award eligibility.

Rescissions:

None.

Content:

When the PY'04 system and WIA incentive award policy (DWD Commissioner's Directive #2004-14) was published in November, 2004, the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) anticipated the dissolution of the Madison-Grant Workforce Service Area (WSA). No separate goals were established for Madison and Grant counties, as DWD expected that both counties would merge into their new WIB(s) during PY'04. As stated in the original PY'04 policy:

The dissolution of the Madison-Grant WSA will have no effect on the WIA performance levels set for other WSAs. The performance levels for the WIB or WIBs receiving Madison and Grant counties will be based solely on the historical performance of the destination WIB(s) as described above.

Grant County was integrated into the Northeast Workforce Service Area. However, Madison County did not formally merge into its destination WIB during PY'04. The policy did not anticipate the continued separation of Madison County.

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Since the Governor determined that Madison County would align with Circle Seven (now Central Eight), the PY'04 Circle Seven standards will be used for evaluating Madison County's performance. This is inferred in the policy statement quoted above.

If Madison County qualifies for an incentive, that incentive will become a part of Central Eight's award. If Central Eight doesn't otherwise qualify for an award on its own merits, it will still receive the Madison County award.

Effective Date:

Immediately.

Ending Date:

January 31, 2006.

Ownership:

DWD Evaluation Division.

Action:

Please inform your local staff of these changes and address any questions you may have regarding this policy to Patrik Madaras, Director of Evaluation, at 317-232-8537, or by email at pmadaras@dwd.state.in.us.